

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE DISTRICT OF RHODE ISLAND**

STATE OF NEW YORK, et al.

Plaintiffs,

v.

ROBERT F. KENNEDY, JR., in his official capacity  
as SECRETARY OF THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF  
HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, et al.

Defendants.

Case No. 1:25-Civ-00196

**NOTICE OF SUPPLEMENTAL AUTHORITY**

Plaintiff States write to notify the Court of additional supplemental authority relevant to their pending Motion for a Preliminary Injunction, ECF No. 43: a memorandum and order issued last week by the U.S. District Court for the Northern District of California granting plaintiffs' motions for a preliminary injunction in *Am. Fed'n of Gov't Emps. v. Trump*, No. 25-CV-03698, ECF No. 124 (N.D. Cal. May 22, 2025) (Illston, J.), which challenges agency restructuring at a number of federal agencies, including the Department of Health and Human Services. This case, in which a temporary restraining order had already been granted, was discussed by the Court and the parties in briefing and at the argument last week.

Under the Order, among other things, HHS is enjoined from carrying out any "further implementation of" its agency reorganization plan, including "issuance of any further RIF notices"; "placement of [additional] employees on administrative leave"; and "execution of any existing RIF notices (including final separation of employees)." *Id.* at \*48. While the court additionally ordered the agencies, including HHS, to "rescind" RIFs and transfer "federal

employees who were moved into administrative leave status . . . back to the status they held prior to being placed on such leave,” it stayed this portion of the order pending appeal. *Id* at \*49. The Ninth Circuit has ordered further briefing on the government’s motion to stay to conclude on Thursday, May 29.

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